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**WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON THE
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL
PETITION OF THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
UTILITY CONTROL FOR AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT A
TRANSITIONAL SERVICE TECHNOLOGY-SPECIFIC SERVICE
OVERLAY**

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

CC Docket No. 99-200

Comments Due: June 14, 2002

Reply Comments Due: June 21, 2002

In the *Numbering Resource Optimization Third Report and Order*, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) lifted the ban on service-specific and technology-specific overlays (collectively specialized overlays or SOs).¹ State commissions may seek authority to implement SOs on a case-by-case basis. State commissions seeking such authority must specifically address in their petitions: (1) the technologies or services to be included in the SO; (2) the geographic area to be covered; (3) whether the SO will be transitional; (4) when the SO will be implemented, and, if a transitional SO is proposed, when the SO will become an all-services overlay; (5) whether the SO will include take-backs; (6) whether there will be ten-digit dialing in the SO and the underlying area code(s); (7) whether the SO and the underlying area code(s) will be subject to rationing; and (8) whether the SO will cover an area in which pooling takes place.²

On January 18, 2002, the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (Connecticut Commission) filed a supplemental petition requesting delegated authority to implement

¹ *Numbering Resource Optimization*, CC Docket No. 96-98 and CC Docket No. 99-200, Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration, 17 FCC Rcd 252, 282-94, paras. 67-94 (2001) (*Numbering Resource Optimization Third Report and Order*).

² *Id.* at 288, para. 81.

transitional SOs in the 203 and 860 NPAs.³ The Wireline Competition Bureau (formerly the Common Carrier Bureau) issued a public notice seeking comment on the petition.⁴ The Connecticut Commission seeks to implement, in each NPA, SOs that will transition into all-services overlays once the underlying NPAs exhaust.⁵ In addressing the criteria, the Connecticut Commission states that it intends to limit take-backs to unused NXX codes, will not implement rationing in the underlying area codes or the SOs,⁶ and that thousands-block number pooling is already underway in the 203 and 860 NPAs.⁷ The petition, however, did not address other aspects of the criteria.

On May 9, 2002, the Connecticut Commission filed information further supplementing its petition.⁸ Specifically, the Connecticut Commission provides additional information on: (1) why the implementation of SOs is preferable to an all-services-overlay; (2) the technologies or services to be covered in the SOs; (3) when the SO would transition to an all-services overlay; and 4) the application of ten-digit dialing.⁹ The Wireline Competition Bureau now seeks comments on this supplemental information filed by the Connecticut Commission on May 9, 2002.

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments as follows: comments may be filed on or before **June 14, 2002** and reply comments may be filed on or before **June 21, 2002**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998). All comments must reference **CC Docket No. 99-200**. If filing paper copies, send an original and four copies to the Commission Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Suite TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554 and three copies to Sheryl Todd, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 5-B540, Washington, D.C. 20554.

³ Petition of the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control for Authority to Implement a Transitional Service/Technology-Specific Overlay in Connecticut, filed January 18, 2002 (Connecticut Commission Supplemental Petition). The Connecticut Commission previously filed a petition on March 12, 2001. *See* Petition of the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control for Authority to Conduct a Transitional Service/Technology-Specific Overlay Trial, filed March 12, 2001 (Connecticut Commission Initial Petition).

⁴ Comments were due on February 26, 2002 and reply comments were due on March 8, 2002. *See Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on the Petition of the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control For Delegated Authority to Implement Transitional Service-Specific and Technology-Specific Overlays*, Public Notice, 17 FCC Rcd 2168 (2002) (*Supplemental Petition Public Notice*).

⁵ Connecticut Commission Supplemental Petition at 6-7.

⁶ *Id.* at 8.

⁷ *Id.* at 6.

⁸ Petition of the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control for Authority to Conduct a Transitional Service Technology Specific Service Overlay Trail – Supplemental Information, filed May 9, 2002 (Connecticut Commission Second Supplemental Petition).

⁹ *Id.*

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address> ." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. After filing your comments electronically, please e-mail Sheryl Todd at stodd@fcc.gov, that comments have been filed.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

This is a "permit but disclose" proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rule. *See generally*, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. As a "permit but disclose" proceeding, *ex parte* presentation will be governed by the procedures set forth in Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules applicable to non-restricted proceedings. 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.

Parties making oral *ex parte* presentation are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must contain a summary of the substance of the presentation and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2). Other rules pertaining to oral and written presentations are set forth in Section 1.1206(b) as well.

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